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In the Matter of the Application of: Alan Weir Bucher

Serial No.: 09/880,214

Filed: June 13, 2001

For: **Mask Support Blade Structure Having an Insert**

Examiner: Mariceli Santiago      Group Art Unit: 2879

Docket No.: PU010124

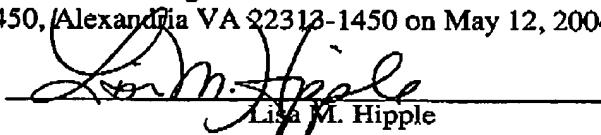
Mail Stop-Non Fee Amendment

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Official Office Action dated January 13, 2004, and having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 13, 2004, please amend the application as follows. Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension to respond to the Office Action. Please charge any additional requisite fees relating to this amendment and response to Deposit Account No. 07-0832.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.